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Title: **SYNTHESIS OF EPOTHILONES AND RELATED ANALOGS**  
Art Unit: 1626  
Examiner: Fiona T. Powers  
Action: **REQUEST FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**  
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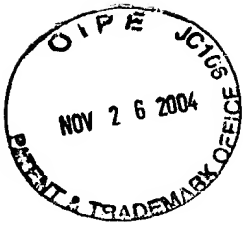
The Applicant of the above-captioned patent application hereby requests a two (2) month time extension from September 25, 2004 to November 25, 2004 in which to respond to the Office Action dated June 25, 2004. Accordingly, enclosed is our check no. 18589 in the amount of \$215.00 to cover this time extension request. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the payment of the required fee(s) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-1940.

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